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Geneva Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1991/64 of 26 July 1991 on the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women,

Recognizing the critical role of rural women as food producers and architects of household food security,

Noting with deep concern the continuing rise in the number of rural women living in poverty,

Reiterating its commitment to contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of rural women,

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council

Welcoming the organization of the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women, held in Geneva on 25 and 26 February 1992, with the participation of a large number of First Ladies and other high-level delegations,

Expressing its appreciation to Her Majesty Queen Fabiola of Belgium, the patron of the Summit, to the First Ladies of Colombia, Egypt, Malaysia, Nigeria, Senegal and Turkey, members of the core group of initiators who launched the initiative to convene the Summit, and to the International Fund for Agricultural Development and other institutions that provided support for the Summit,

1. Endorses the Geneva Declaration for Rural Women adopted at the Summit; 1/

2. Calls on all States, and on the organizations, agencies, bodies and organs of the United Nations system, to take urgent measures, within their respective mandates, to implement the Geneva Declaration.

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